# STATE MEDICAL ASSOCIATIONS

# CALIFORNIA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION\*

### COMPONENT COUNTY SOCIETIES

### ALAMEDA COUNTY

The regular meeting of the Alameda County Medical Association which was held at Hunter Hall on March 17 was devoted entirely to the subject of medical economics. Dr. Daniel Crosby, the chief speaker of the evening, spoke with the authority of information amassed from innumerable sources both in this country and in Europe. The doctor painted a clear and concise picture of the situation as it actually exists in the principal countries of Europe as well as in various parts of the United States. In closing the discussion Doctor Crosby offered a motion that the president appoint a committee to continue the work of investigation and after mature study to map out a plan or plans for betterment of the existing condition. General discussion was opened by Dr. O. D. Hamlin, who told of some of the plans of the California Medical Association in regard to this matter. The president then appointed Doctor Crosby as chairman of a committee to be selected.

GERTRUDE MOORE, Secretary.

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### CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

The Contra Costa County Medical Society met at the nurses' home of the County Hospital at Martinez on April 8.

Dr. O. D. Hamlin of Oakland, councilor of the California Medical Association for this district, paid us an official visit. Doctor Hamlin presented a survey of the work being done on the cost of medical care. He discussed the economic situation of the physicians in various counties, and showed how irregular practices are carried out in certain county hospitals, to the detriment of the medical profession as a whole and the individual practitioner in particular. The various remedies proposed to lower the medical cost to the patient were described. The speaker explained the plan which the State Association has been considering for some time in the solution of this vital economic problem. Doctor Hamlin's talk brought out much instructive discussion.

The scientific paper was presented by Dr. Eugene S. Kilgore of San Francisco, who spoke on "The Practical Assessment of Cardiac Condition." The speaker explained how the practical interpretation of the clinical signs and symptoms of heart disease will guide the prognosis of the case. Particular emphasis was laid on the value of careful and detailed history in these cases. The estimate of what a heart can stand and its future possibilities depends on stability and integrity of the myocardium. Doctor Kilgore illustrated by well-chosen cases the common pitfalls of erroneous prognosis in the diseased heart. A concise but thorough differential diagnosis between coronary block and angina pectoris was presented. Vari-

ous types of pain in heart disease were interpreted by the speaker. The practical value of Doctor Kilgore's paper was much appreciated by his audience, as shown by the lengthy discussion which followed.

Dr. Clara H. Spalding of Richmond was unanimously voted a member of the society.

This meeting was the first held in Martinez this year and drew a large attendance from the surrounding communities.

The Woman's Auxiliary held a business and social meeting at the First Congregational Church, Martinez, on the same evening and were hostesses to the members at a well-appointed supper.

Those present at the society meeting were: Doctors J. L. Beard, E. Merrithew, G. W. Sweetzer, and I. O. Church, all of Martinez; H. D. Neufeld, Bay Point; M. C. McLafferty, Brentwood; H. C. Gifford, Danville; C. R. Leech, Walnut Creek; S. V. Weil, Selby; J. M. McCullough and W. G. Rowell, Crockett; Rosa Powell, M. Deininger-Keser, J. W. Bumgarner, F. W. Overdahl and L. H. Fraser, all of Richmond; Eugene S. Kilgore of San Francisco; O. D. Hamlin and C. L. Abbott, Oakland.

L. H. Fraser, Secretary.

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### FRESNO COUNTY

The regular meeting of the Fresno County Medical Society was held after dinner at the University Sequoia Club, April 1.

Miss Foster, representative of the Red Cross Visiting Nurses' Association, spoke of a plan whereby nurses will visit patients where the services of a full-time nurse are not required. The fee for this service will be \$1 per hour.

Dr. D. I. Aller, chairman of the Welfare Committee, submitted his report. It was moved, seconded, and carried that this report endorsing the rules and regulations of the Red Cross Visiting Nurses' Association be adopted.

It was moved, seconded, and carried that the president appoint a committee of three to report on the County Hospital situation in Fresno County. That they have the power of employing expert help in obtaining all needed data. The president appointed the following committee: Doctors D. H. Trowbridge (chairman), T. N. Sample, and C. O. Mitchell.

Dr. F. D. DeLappe of Modesto, councilor for this district, gave an outline of the work being done by the council of the state society. They recommend: (1) That a Woman's Auxiliary be organized in every county society. (2) That members of the society appoint a committee to solicit members for optional medical defense.

Dr. E. B. Towne of Stanford University gave a very interesting talk illustrated by many lantern slides. The subject was "The Diagnosis and Localization of Tumor of the Brain."

J. M. FRAWLEY, Secretary.

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### LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Industrial Accident Section.—One hundred and sixty doctors, representative of all parts of southern California, attended the regular March meeting of the Industrial Accident Section of the Los Angeles County Medical Association as guests of the Golden State Hospital, Los Angeles, through the courtesy of Dr. J. Rollin French. Inspection of modern hospi-

<sup>\*</sup> For a complete list of general officers, of standing committees, of section officers, and of executive officers of the component county societies, see index reference on the front cover, under Miscellany.

talization of traumatic injury cases and demonstration of hospital fracture apparatus began at 5:30 p. m., following which an excellent buffet supper was served for all those attending. At 7 p. m. the regular meeting was called to order, with Dr. John W. Crossan presiding, and the following scientific papers were presented: "Fracture Dislocation of the Fourth Lumbar Vertebra with Paralysis, and the Presentation of the Case with Recovery," S. Herzikoff; "Bursitis of the Shoulder Joint as Related to Industrial Injuries," I. D. Tiedemann. Doctors John C. Wilson, John Dunlop, H. W. Chappel, William B. Bowman, I. Leon Myers, and others carried on the enthusiastic discussion which followed. A unique feature of the Industrial Accident Section is that all scientific papers presented at its meetings are subsequently supplied to members in printed abstract form. All doctors eligible to membership in the American Medical Association are eligible to apply for membership in this section. FLOYD THURBER,

Secretary, Industrial Accident Section.

## MARIN COUNTY

The Marin County Medical Society held its monthly meeting on the evening of March 27 at the Cottage Hospital in San Rafael. There were nine members

The minutes of the previous meeting, February 5, were read and approved. A communication from the State Association regarding the present status of the Porter Bill, No. H. R. 9054 and also No. H. R. 10561, were read and placed on file. In keeping with the request of the State Association, it was decided that no action be taken regarding the above measure until further word from the State Association be received.

Following the business meeting, Dr. Alfred C. Reed of San Francisco gave an interesting talk on "Oriental and Tropical Diseases." His lecture was illustrated by a number of lantern slides.

L. L. Robinson, Secretary.

# MONTEREY COUNTY

The regular monthly meeting of the Monterey County Medical Society was held at the Hotel Jeffery in Salinas March 7. Seventeen members were present.

Following dinner there was a short business meeting at which time Dr. F. E. Wiebe of Soledad was elected to membership in the society.

The meeting was then turned over to Dr. Edmund Butler of San Francisco, who gave an interesting talk on "Spinal Anesthesia and Its Practicability in Abdominal Surgery" which was greatly enjoyed by the members present.

On April 4 the regular monthly meeting was held at the Hotel San Carlos in Monterey.

The wives of members were invited to be present to consider the organization of a Woman's Auxiliary. Following dinner the ladies held a meeting at which time Mrs. C. H. Lowell of Carmel was elected president and Mrs. A. A. Arehart of Pacific Grove was elected secretary of the new organization.

Dr. P. T. Phillips and Dr. A. L. Phillips of Santa Cruz were present as guests and both gave brief but interesting talks which were enjoyed by those present.

J. A. MERRILL, Secretary.

### NAPA COUNTY

The regular monthly meeting of the Napa County Medical Society was held Wednesday, April 2, at 7 p. m. at the Ramona Gardens, Napa. Members and their wives enjoyed a well-appointed banquet which was followed by a musical program by artists especially selected for this occasion. The first meeting of the ladies interested in the formation of a Woman's Auxiliary was held also. Mrs. Jean F. Rogers, state president of the auxiliary, addressed the ladies on the purpose of such an organization.

The medical society members met in regular session and were addressed by Mr. Celestine Sullivan, who clearly and concisely portrayed the present trend of medical practice as compared to other businesses. Mr. Heartly Peart, legal counsel for the California State Medical Association, spoke most entertainingly and instructively concerning the legal aspect as regards the practice of medicine.

This first joint meeting was an enthusiastic gather-

ing, and others to come are anticipated.

It was moved and carried that the society should bear the expense of entertaining the ladies.

Those present were: Members—W. L. Blodgett, M. M. Booth, C. H. Bulson, H. R. Coleman, G. I. Dawson, C. A. Johnson,

Bulson, H. R. Coleman, G. I. Dawson, C. A. Johnson, Edward Love, D. H. Murray, A. K. McGrath, C. E. Nelson, Robert Northrop, J. B. Rogers, J. Robertson, C. E. Sisson, and L. Welti.

Mesdames C. H. Bulson, W. L. Blodgett, H. R. Coleman, G. I. Dawson, C. A. Johnson, M. L. Lewis, A. K. McGrath, Edward Love, D. H. Murray, C. E. Nelson, Robert Northrop, S. Z. Peoples, H. Peart, J. B. Rogers, H. R. Rogers, C. E. Sisson, C. Sullivan, and J. Welti and L. Welti.

Visitors—M. L. Lewis, S. Z. Peoples, H. R. Rogers of Petaluma and F. R. Moore, H. A. Keener, L. J. Roberts, W. M. Kerr of Mare Island.

C. A. Johnson, Secretary.

### ORANGE COUNTY

The regular monthly meeting of the Orange County Medical Association was held in the staff room of the County Hospital Tuesday, April 1. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The second reading on Dr. H. F. Gramlich's application for membership was heard and, by vote, he was unanimously

admitted into the society.

An interesting talk on "Collections" was given by Mr. Lynn Chuninc, who proposed to the society that the members form their own collection agency by incorporating and working on a nonprofit basis. The president appointed a committee to investigate the proposition. This committee is composed of: G. M. Tralle, R. A. Cushman, and H. G. Huffman.

Biographical sketches of two of our deceased members, Daniel Franklin Royer and Walter Watkins Davis, were read by the secretary. It was moved and seconded that a copy be sent to Mrs. Davis. This was unanimously carried.

Due to the fact that many of our members have office hours in the evening from 7 to 8 o'clock, it was suggested that the time of meetings be changed to 8:15 o'clock. By vote this change was adopted. The president stressed the point that he was to call all meetings promptly at this specified time.

Case reports were given by Harold Gobar, "Imperforate Anus"; E. D. Kilbourne, "Liver Abscess"; and R. S. Wade, "Prostatic Hypertrophy." These cases were fully discussed. Doctor Brunemeier described a similar case of imperforate anus that he treated in China.

The speaker of the evening was Dr. D. A. Harwood of Santa Ana. His subject was "Uterine Fibromyomata—Their Diagnosis and Various Methods of Treatment." A very complete discussion of the subject was given by the speaker, who outlined the advantages of radium in some cases over x-ray or surgery. He also stressed the probable etiology in a number of these cases as being due to a local hyperemia.

There being no more business the meeting ad-

On April 4 and 5 the Orange County Medical Association and the Orange County Woman's Auxiliary acted as hosts to the Southern California Medical Association during its meeting in Santa Ana. An elaborate program and entertainment for both members and their wives, in addition to the scientific part of the session, served to make this meeting a very decided success. A detailed report of this session will be given by the secretary of the Southern California Medical Association.

HARRY G. HUFFMAN, Secretary.

### SAN DIEGO COUNTY

Dr. H. E. Robertson of the Mayo Clinic talked before the Mercy Hospital staff March 18 on the subject, "Postmortem Examinations and Means for Expansion of Their Usefulness." Doctor Robertson stressed the importance of postmortem examinations and gave his hearers some good, practical advice. In his remarks he made a plea for more dignity in conducting the autopsy, a better understanding between physician and undertaker, and the need of informing relatives as to the findings of the examination. The most important point brought out by Doctor Robertson was the need for wider dissemination of the information of postmortem findings among the members of the profession, either at staff meetings or by making the reports in the form of a letter.

The regular monthly meeting of the staff of the Scripps Memorial Hospital was held March 17, at 8 p. m. Dr. Hall G. Holder gave a very interesting paper on "The Modern Treatment of Malignant Diseases." Several members of the staff closed the meeting with a very lively discussion.

A number of the members of the county society motored to Santa Ana to attend the sessions of the Southern California Medical Association meeting. Dr. May T. Riach gave an interesting paper on "A Plea for a Closer Coöperation Between the Ophthalmologist and the Internist." Dr. Hall G. Holder and Dr. M. W. McDougall gave a paper entitled "Circulatory Diseases of the Extremities, with Special Reference to Test of Capillary Circulation."

On Tuesday evening, April 8, the regular monthly meeting and dinner of the San Diego County Medical Society was held in the Don Room of the Hotel El Cortez. Dr. Samuel Ingham, neurologist of Los Angeles, was the speaker of the evening, and gave a very interesting talk on "How to Make a Neurological Examination and How to Interpret Your Findings."

ROBERT POLLOCK.

### SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY

The stated meeting of the San Joaquin County Medical Society was held Thursday evening at eight o'clock, April 3, in the Medico-Dental Club rooms, 242 North Sutter Street, Stockton.

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Harry E. Kaplan, president. The minutes of the previous stated meeting and of a special meeting of the board of directors held March 31 were read and approved.

Dr. J. J. Sippy reported that the medical society had sponsored a loge of forty-five tickets for the Amateur Boxing Match being given by the Amblers' Club for the benefit of crippled children. Of these, thirty-six tickets were already sold. Eighty-five per cent of all funds received are to be devoted to the charitable purposes.

Dr. Dewey R. Powell reported for the committee coöperating with the Committee on the Cost of Medical Care. They met with Doctor Sinai to go over the details of the work, approving and modifying the plans for local conditions.

Dr. R. V. Looser moved that "the time of at least fifteen minutes be set aside at each stated meeting for discussion of problems for the good of the county society and its members." Seconded.

Dr. Dewey R. Powell moved to amend the motion, inserting the words, "sufficient time be allotted," instead of "fifteen minutes." Seconded.

Both the amendment and the original motion were carried.

Dr. Fred R. De Lappe of Modesto, the district councilor, was present and spoke to the society on several matters. He called attention to the benefits to be derived from an active Woman's Auxiliary; he urged the importance of the Optional Medical Defense; the solicitation of new members; more attention to the careful writing of narcotic prescriptions; and attendance at the state convention this year.

Dr. Dewey R. Powell moved that, as a compliment to our member, Dr. George Sanderson, who is secretary of the Northern District Medical Society, our own society should entertain the visiting members at luncheon when they come here for the convention on Tuesday, April 8. Seconded and carried.

There being no further business, Doctor Kaplan introduced Dr. William W. Newman of San Francisco for an address on "The Sweaney Method of Examining Sputum for Acid-Fast Bacilli Often Found in Patients with no Physical and no X-ray Evidence of Tuberculosis." He said that prior to using the concentration method it was seldom that acid-fast organisms were found in the sputum. During the past ten months eighty-six specimens had been examined by the Sweaney method with 20 per cent showing positive, whereas only two cases were positive by the direct method. The unique point in this method is that after the sputum has been collected in a clean, rubber-stoppered bottle, it is first incu-bated for twenty-four hours. It is then digested with sodium hydroxid, centrifuged, the supernatent fluid decanted and specimens from the upper layer of sediment stained and examined in the usual manner by the Ziehl-Neelson technique. He named as possible sources of error the following: (1) Scratches on slides. (2) Saprophytic bacteria from ordinary cork. (3) Presence of other acid-fast bacteria such as Smegma and Timothy. (4) Tuberculous bacilli as saprophytes. He went into detail to show that precautions had been taken to avoid such errors.

All of the doctor's patients had originally presented themselves for heart examination because of pain in the chest, usually about the heart. He presented an analysis of the seventeen positive cases. Six of these had no cardiovascular pathology. Of these, five complained of pain in the chest and the other was short of breath. Four of them showed no pathology in the chest by x-ray or physical examination, but two had positive pathology on x-ray. Four of the six he believes were tuberculous because of history, underweight, or afternoon temperatures. Of the other nineteen, eleven had definite cardiovascular pathology, but three also had positive tuberculous symptoms for conditions. With the remaining eight, as their cardiovascular symptoms disappeared, the acid-fast bacilli also disappeared from the sputum. In conclusion, the doctor said: "We have seventeen patients having acidfast bacilli in their sputum. Of these only four have confirmatory evidence of tuberculosis in their x-ray and only nine can on any account be suspected of tuberculosis. What is the significance of the remaining eight?"

The discussion was led by Dr. N. E. Williamson, who said that there had been many concentration methods used. A Doctor Bean used one for tubercle bacilli in the blood and was amazed at the large number he found until it was discovered that the distilled water used for dilution was contaminated. He mentioned the large number of acid-fast bacilli which are found in nature. He feels conservative about results and pays more attention to cultures.

Dr. J. W. Barnes next presented a paper on "Complications of Some of the Acute Infections." He called attention particularly to the grave danger to the heart of a child in such conditions as acute rheumatism, chorea, acute tonsillitis, quinsy, and even attacks of growing pains. He mentioned that too often no attention is paid to the heart in the examination, although it is the one organ most often affected. In the matter of treatment he said that rest is the one great factor over a long period—at least six months and better upward of a year.

Following this paper, Doctor Newman presented moving pictures showing the heart action under normal conditions and following stimulation of nerves. He demonstrated that the heart ventricles are filled, not by auricular contraction, but by venous pressure. Also, he pointed out in the pictures that auricular

fibrillation tends to recover, whereas ventricular fibrillation ends in death.

The president appointed Doctors Gallegos, Dozier, Foard, and Van Meter to arrange for a smoker for the society.

The meeting was well attended, there being Drs, Newman, De Lappe, Sutton, Barton Powell Jr., and Mr. Curtis as visitors; also two nurses from the Health Center. The members present were: Drs. E. A. Arthur, Barnes, Blackmun, Blinn, Broaddus, Conzelmann, Dozier, Foard, Gallegos, Goodman, Haight, Hanson, Kaplan, Krout, Looser, McCoskey, B. J. Powell, D. R. Powell, Priestley, Rohrbacher, Sanderson, Sheldon, Sippy, Smyth, Thompson, and Williamson.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned for refreshments.

C. A. BROADDUS, Secretary.

# SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY

The regular monthly meeting of the San Luis Obispo County Medical Society was held Saturday night, March 22, at the Atascadero Inn. Eleven members were present.

The minutes of the two previous meetings were read and approved.

Dr. Gifford L. Sobey of Paso Robles was elected delegate and Dr. H. S. Walters of San Luis Obispo was elected alternate for the next meeting of the state medical society.

A discussion was held upon the federal Porter narcotic bills now before Congress, and it was decided to forward a resolution to the members of Congress informing them that the County Medical Association, while in favor of the regulation of narcotics, was opposed to the Porter bill.

After discussion it was decided that the secretary forward to the State Medical Association a brief summary of each monthly meeting for inclusion in the state medical journal. A general discussion was held relative to revision of the county fee schedule, and to formulation of some plan whereby collections could be made more promptly.

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 o'clock.

Those present were Doctors Gallup, McGarvey, Sobey, Butler, Larsen, Bartle, Mills, Law, Walters, Mugler, and Gillihan.

ALLEN F. GILLIHAN, Secretary.

# SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

The regular meeting of the Santa Barbara County Medical Society was held on Monday, April 14, at 8 p. m. in the new Bissell Auditorium of the Cottage Hospital.

The meeting was called to order by President Freidell, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Doctor Freidell then introduced Dr. Elmer Bissell, who stated that he and Mrs. Bissell fully appreciated the fact that the best must be given to the patient, but at the same time they felt that the doctors themselves should not be slighted, and to this end it was their great pleasure to endow this Bissell Auditorium for the use of the medical profession, together with a lounging room and library, with a librarian in charge. Doctor Bissell also expressed the keen pleasure of Mrs. Bissell in selecting the draperies and furniture for the rooms, and hoped that the joy of the medical profession in the gift would be commensurate to that of the donors.

It was then moved by Doctor Bakewell, and seconded by Doctor Brush, that a rising vote of thanks be given to Dr. and Mrs. Bissell for their wonderful contribution to the Cottage Hospital for the benefit of the medical profession.

The scientific program was opened by Doctor Profant, who gave a paper, illustrated with lantern slides,

on "Gradenigo's Syndrome, with a Consideration of Petrositis." This paper was discussed by Doctors Geyman, Hunt, and Thorner.

Doctor Wills then followed with a presentation on "Conservatism in Prostatic Enlargement." This was discussed by Doctor Pierce.

Both papers were enthusiastically received and enjoyed by all.

The president then introduced Mr. McMann, who spoke briefly on the coming convention in Santa Barbara of the California Social Service Conference. Favorable comments were made by Doctors Lamband Markthaler, and it was moved, seconded, and carried that the Santa Barbara County Medical Society pay \$10 for a yearly membership in this conference.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

W. H. EATON, Secretary.

### VENTURA COUNTY

The April meeting of the Ventura County Medical Society was held Tuesday evening, April 8 at the clinic of the Ventura County Hospital. Dr. D. G. Clark opened the meeting. Members present were: D. G. Clark, Smolt, W. S. Clark, Hill, Homer, Patton, Achenbach, Tillim, Welsh, Armitstead, Shore, Schultz, Jones, Felberbaum, and Bardill. Guests were: Dr. H. J. Ullmann and Dr. and Mrs. Richard Evans of Santa Barbara, and Drs. Mosher and Rhymes of Ventura.

The meeting adjourned to the County Hospital, where Dr. R. W. Homer demonstrated several cases of malignant disease. Upon return to the clinic building, Doctor Evans read a paper on the "Histopathology of Diseases of the Breast." This paper was accompanied by a series of very fine microscopic sections, shown by means of a projecting microscope.

Doctor Ullmann then presented, by means of a motion picture projector, a marvelous film showing the growth and reproduction of living cells in normal and malignant tissues and the effects of radium thereon.

A short business meeting followed. The secretary was instructed to refer Doctor Cornman's request for nonresident membership to the state secretary.

CHARLES A. SMOLT, Secretary.

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### CHANGES IN MEMBERSHIP

### New Members

Alameda County—Frank S. Bissell, Edwin Daniel Greer, Oliver Brinton Jensen, Theodore E. Schwarz, and Anah Cecelia Wineberg.

Butte County-Frank Moore Whiting.

Contra Costa County—Ira Otis Church and Clara H. Spalding.

Fresno County—A. A. Arehart.

Imperial County—T. E. Bartholomew and Oran L. Webster.

Kern County-Harrison M. Hawkins.

Los Angeles County—David George Azadian, Charles Hall Cowgill, William Edward Hunter, Hugh Toland Jones, Theodore Spalding Kimball, Angus Cameron McDonald, Susanne Ring Parsons, Marvin K. Paup, Rankin Reiff, Monte Salvin, James Robert Sanford, and Fred Cecil Watson.

Merced County-Amzi Martin Gregory.

Orange County — Henry Frank Gramlich, Henry MacVicker Smith, and Robert Simpson Wade.

Sacramento County-Ernest Sevier.

San Benito County-Rosewell Hull and Fred Fellows Sprague.

San Bernardino County—Samuel Andrew Crooks, Franklin Hunter Garrett, and Charles William Moots. San Diego County—John Carl Schleppi, Rudolph Herbert Sundberg, Oril Stone Harbaugh, and Malcolm Y. Marshall.

San Francisco County-Jessie Marguerite Bierman, Charlotte A. Boehm, Donald Alfonso Carson, Chester L. Cooley, William Amos Key, and Helen Hopkins Detrick.

San Luis Obispo County-Harry Seth Walters.

San Mateo County—Augustus A. Gerlach, R. J. Gerlough, Ralph E. Scovel, and Ralph D. Howe.

Santa Clara County-Lucas W. Empey.

Santa Cruz County-Frederick P. Shenk.

Siskivou County-Daniel F. McCann and Albert H. Newton.

Solano County-Warren Corneil Jenney.

Sonoma County—Byron Lee Baldwin, H. Julian Wright, M. H. Hamelink, and Hiriam A. Haskell.

Tulare County—Elmer C. Bond, Reuben C. Hill, H. A. Todd, and Karl F. Weiss.

Ventura County-Fred A. Shore and Charles Raymond Illick.

### Transferred Members

Edwin D. Kilbourne, from Los Angeles to Orange County.

Arthur E. Dart, from San Francisco to Alameda County.

Delta Ross Olsen, from San Francisco to Alameda County.

John L. Fanning, from Placer to Sacramento County.

Owen W. E. Nowlin, from Los Angeles to Illinois

Medical Association. William M. Maloney, from Los Angeles to Arizona

Medical Association. Blake C. Wilbur, from San Francisco to Santa

Clara County. Willis E. King, from San Francisco to Sacramento

Frederick P. Shafer, from San Francisco to Los Angeles County.

Ira B. Bartle, from Imperial to San Luis Obispo County.

Jens W. Larsen, from Yolo-Colusa to San Luis Obispo County.

Edith Harrison, from Santa Cruz to Humboldt County.

Iner Sheld Ritchie, from Imperial to San Bernardino County.

Walter B. Felger, from Yolo-Colusa to Sacramento County.

### Resignations

San Francisco County—Ethan H. Smith, Hajo P. Plagge, and Edward P. Driscoll.

San Diego County-Frank A. Lee.

Santa Cruz County-Thomas F. Conroy.

Edie, Guy Lewis. Died at San Francisco, April 8, 1930, age 72 years. Graduate of the University of Virginia Department of Medicine, 1879. Licensed in California, 1901. Doctor Edie was a member of the San Francisco County Medical Society, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

Franklin, James William. Died January 4, 1930, age 50 years. Graduate of the University of Texas School of Medicine, Galveston, 1909. Licensed in California, 1914. Doctor Franklin was a member of the Los Angeles County Medical Association, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

Gatchell, Ella Frances. Died at Chico, April 9, 1930, age 77 years. Graduate of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Boston, 1889. Licensed in California, 1895. Doctor Gatchell was a member of the Butte County Medical Society, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

Guy, Walter Parry. Died at Los Angeles, April 3, 1930, age 47 years. Graduate of Rush Medical College, Chicago, 1909. Licensed in California, 1920. Doctor Guy was a member of the Los Angeles County Medical Association, the California Medical Association, and the American Medical Association.

Harbinson, James Edward. Died at Woodland, March 9, 1930, age 36 years. Graduate of University of California Medical School, Berkeley, 1922. Licensed in California, 1922. Doctor Harbinson was a member of the Yolo County Medical Society, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

Henrikson, Gustav. Died at Sacramento, February 18, 1930, age 72 years. Graduate of California Eclectic Medical College, Los Angeles, 1894. Licensed in California, 1894. Doctor Henrikson was a member of the Sacramento Society for Medical Improvement, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

McDowell, Anderson Eddie. Died at Los Angeles, March 20, 1930, age 49 years. Graduate of Northwestern University Medical School, Chicago, 1909. Licensed in California, 1909. Doctor McDowell was a member of the Los Angeles County Medical Association, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

Muchnic, Adolph Maurice. Died at Los Angeles, March 29, 1930, age 54 years. Graduate of University of Illinois College of Medicine, Chicago, 1911. Licensed in California, 1911. Doctor Muchnic was a member of the Los Angeles County Medical Assembles of California Medical Assembles County Medical Assembles of the Los Angeles County Medical Assembles of California Medical Assembles of the Los Angeles County Medical Assembles of the California Medical Assembles of the California Medical Medical Medical Assembles of the California Medical Me sociation, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

Read, William Parsons. Died at San Francisco, April 12, 1930, age 56 years. Graduate of Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia, 1896. Licensed in California, 1898. Doctor Read was a member of the San Francisco County Medical Society, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

Erratum.—The notice of death of Dr. Joseph Salem Rubin, page 293 of the April journal, copied from the February 22, 1930 Journal of the American Medical Association, page 577, we are glad to state, was an error. Doctor Rubin, in a personal letter, informs us he is still engaged in the practice of medicine at Los Angeles.

# THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY OF THE CALIFORNIA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION\*

For the convenience of officers of the county auxiliaries, the names and addresses of the national officers and of standing committees of the Woman's Auxiliary of the American Medical Association are here printed. It is possible that county auxiliaries may wish to organize their own standing committees after a somewhat similar plan: Officers

President, Mrs. George H. Hoxie, 3719 Pennsyl-

vania Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri. President-elect, Mrs. J. Newton Hunsberger, 514 West Main Street, Norristown, Pennsylvania.

Corresponding secretary, Mrs. G. B. Arnold, 906 East Armour Boulevard, Kansas City, Missouri.

Recording secretary, Mrs. Arthur T. McCormick, Brown Hotel, Louisville, Kentucky.

Treasurer, Mrs. Fred L. Adair, 2500 Blaisdell Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Historian, Mrs. S. C. Red, 817 Caroline Street, Houston, Texas.

<sup>\*</sup>As county auxiliaries to the Woman's Auxiliary of the California Medical Association are formed, the names of officers should be forwarded to the state secretary-treasurer, Mrs. R. A. Cushman, 632 North Broadway, Santa Ana, and to the California Medical Association office, Room 2004, 450 Sutter Street, San Francisco. Brief reports of county auxiliary meetings will be welcomed for publication in this column.

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Social-Mrs. Southgate Leigh, 526 Shirley Avenue, Norfolk, Virginia.

### CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Contra Costa County Medical Society held its monthly meeting April 8 at the Congregational Church in Martinez. Mrs. J. M. McCullough, president, presided. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. An article on "Reasons for a Woman's Auxiliary" by the Iowa State Medical Society was read.

A committee composed of Mrs. I. O. Church (chairman), Mrs. H. L. Neufeld, and Mrs. F. W. Overdahl was appointed to visit Sunshine Camp, the county preventorium. All members were urged to visit Sunshine Camp to acquaint themselves with the work being done for the undernourished and pre-tuberculous children of this county.

A Silver Tea is planned for May 20 at the home of Mrs. J. L. Beard of Martinez. Mrs. J. W. Bumgarner is in charge of the program.

After the business meeting, those present enjoyed vocal selections by Mrs. I. O. Church, with Mrs. J. W. Bumgarner as accompanist. Three very pleasing readings were then given by Mrs. F. W. Overdahl. Later the doctors joined the ladies, and refreshments were served by the auxiliary.

Members present were: Mesdames I. O. Church, J. L. Beard, H. D. Neufeld, C. R. Leech, L. H. Fraser, J. W. Bumgarner, F. W. Overdahl, J. M. McCullough, and S. N. Weil.

HELEN WEIL, Secretary.

### LOS ANGELES COUNTY

The regular meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary was held Thursday, April 17, at 2:30 p. m. in the Assembly Hall, Friday Morning Club building, Los Angeles, with Mrs. James F. Percy, president, presiding. Mrs. George C. Hunter, acting secretary.

Dr. George H. Kress, editor of California and WESTERN MEDICINE, was the distinguished speaker of the afternoon.

A musical program was given by Mrs. William A. Clark, violinist, with Mrs. E. D. Kremers, accompanist, from Pasadena. The tea hour was in charge of Long Beach members, Mrs. B. von Wedelstaedt, chairman.

The following committees in charge:

Reception-Mesdames William H. Duffield, Los Angeles; LeRoy B. Sherry, Pasadena; H. R. Boyer, Glendale; Fred B. Clarke, Long Beach; Elliot P. Smart, San Fernando.

Hostess-Mrs. Robert V. Day; assistant, Mrs. John V. Barrow.

Credentials-Mrs. Elliot Alden.

Ushers-Mrs. Verne R. Mason.

Press and Publicity-Mrs. Edward Huntington Williams.

Ways and Means-Mrs. Philip Schuyler Doane.

Membership-Mesdames Edgerton O. Crispin, Los Angeles; Harry F. Markolf, Pasadena; H. V. Brown, Glendale; William B. Wright, Jr., Long Beach; John L. McDaniel, San Fernando.

Bulletins-Mrs. George G. Hunter.

President's Aide-Mrs. W. H. Futch.

Program-Mesdames E. M. Lazard and H. G. Marxmiller.

Courtesy—Mrs. Wilbur Parker; assistant, Mrs. W. H. Mayne.

Club Survey-Mrs. Norman Williams.

Sick-Mrs. Arnold Burkelman.

In May the Los Angeles County Medical Association is planning to give an aviation ball and frolic in honor of the Woman's Auxiliary.

CORA YOUNG WILLIAMS, Publicity Chairman. 32

### MONTEREY COUNTY

A Woman's Auxiliary of the Monterey County Medical Association was formed on April 4.

Six charter members elected the following officers: Mrs. C. H. Lowell, president; Mrs. R. M. Fortier, first vice-president; Mrs. R. J. Cluen, second vice-president; Mrs. Arthur A. Arehart, secretary-treasurer.

The next meeting of the auxiliary will be held Thursday afternoon, April 10, at the Del Monte Hotel, when plans for the convention of the State Medical Association will be considered.

MRS. ARTHUR A. AREHART, Secretary.

### ORANGE COUNTY

The regular meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Orange County Medical Association was called to order by the president, Mrs. F. E. Coulter, at the home of Mrs. R. A. Cushman on March 4.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted with corrections.

A Committee on Publicity was appointed as follows: Mrs. R. A. Cushman, chairman; Mrs. W. P. Baker.

The Committee on Entertainment for the wives of delegates to the Southern California Medical Association was announced by Mrs. Coulter as follows: Mrs. Harry Huffman, general chairman; Mesdames Robertson Yeagle, Clark, D. R. Ball, H. A. Johnston, Newkirk, Baker, and Cushman.

A report of the tentative plans was made by the chairman, Mrs. Huffman.

The treasurer's report was read and accepted.

An amusing excerpt from Alma Whitacker's "Sugar and Spice" about the meeting of the Los Angeles auxiliary was read by Mrs. Coulter.

An excellent and interesting talk on the work of the Orange County Health Department was given by Dr. K. H. Sutherland, head of the department.

It was moved and seconded that a courtesy committee be appointed to attend to sending flowers to sick members of the auxiliary. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded that a committee for hostess problems be appointed. Motion carried.

The meeting was then adjourned.

present.

The regular meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Orange County Medical Association was called to order by the president, Mrs. F. E. Coulter, at the home of Mrs. Frank Paterson, 2315 Heliotrope Drive, Santa Ana, on April 1. Thirty-five members were

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted. A letter from the Ebell Society, in answer to our letter of February 23, was read. A note of thanks from Mrs. Chapline was also read.

The president then appointed the following committees:

Committee on Entertainment (Hostess Problems)-Mrs. Frank Paterson (chairman), Mrs. Emmett Raitt, and Mrs. H. M. Robertson.

Committee on Flowers (Courtesy Committee)-Mrs. R. P. Yeagle (chairman), Mrs. J. I. Clark, and Mrs. H. D. Newkirk.

Mrs. Paterson reported for the Entertainment Commits. Faterson reported for the Entertainment Committee that the May meeting would be held at the home of Mrs. D. A. Harwood, 2467 Riverside Drive, Santa Ana. Mrs. W. F. Kistinger will be cohostess. Mrs. Yeagle reported for the Flower Committee

that calls had been made on Mrs. Chapline and Mrs.

Johnston and flowers taken to each.

A motion was made by Mrs. Kistinger and seconded that a silver offering be taken at each meeting to cover the expenses of the Flower Committee. Motion carried.

Business of the meeting was then set aside for our speaker, Doctor Ruble, who gave a most comprehensive talk on immunity and the benefits of examinations of the school children. The decrease of the virulence of diphtheria, especially, and other contagious diseases in general, due to inoculations of children, was shown.

On resumption of the business of the day, Mrs. Huffman reported on the plans for the entertainment of the wives of the visiting delegates to the Southern California Medical Association.

It was decided that the dues of the auxiliary should

run from January to January of each year.

Mrs. Cushman, secretary-treasurer of the State Auxiliary, speaking of the coming meeting at Del Monte, urged all wives to accompany their husbands if possible.

Mrs. Baker moved that the hour of the meetings be 2:30 o'clock hereafter. Motion was seconded and

carried

It was moved by Mrs. Paterson that all members of the auxiliary are expected to come to the meetings and only those not able to come are to send regrets to the hostess. Motion was seconded and carried.

The meeting was then adjourned.

EDNA M. BALL, Secretary.

# NE VADA STATE MEDICAL **ASSOCIATION**

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# COMPONENT COUNTY SOCIETIES

WASHOE COUNTY

The regular meeting of the Washoe County Medical Society was held at the Reno City Hall on March 8, Dr. E. E. Hamer of Carson presiding.

The Library Committee appointed at the last meeting of the society reported cooperation with the trustees of the Washoe County Library and stated that there would be placed on file for interested readers

the current medical literature of the day.

Since the last meeting of the society, every Nevadan was pained to learn of the untimely death of a former president of this society who served as chief public health officer of Nevada for four years. The death of Dr. Henry Albert at Des Moines, at which city he had his headquarters since leaving Reno four years ago, was received with sincerest regret by the medical profession of Nevada, to whom he had endeared himself by his splendid scientific labor. The committee appointed by the president to draft resolutions relative to his work and death responded in a suitable

Doctor Perry of Reno read a well-illustrated paper on "Colles' Fracture." The doctor dwelt upon the anatomical points involved, the pathology and treatment. With reference to the use of patent splints for such cases, Doctor Perry said that, in his opinion, better results were obtained by making a splint to fit

the individual than by the use of ready-made ones. Complete relaxation under ether, sufficient traction, supporting splints with x-rays to observe results, corrections of malpositions and early movements of the fingers with massage, would in the majority of cases restore normal contour and function.

Dr. Richard Schofield, industrial surgeon at Hobart Mills, followed with a paper on "Fracture of the Elbow," citing fifteen cases. The essential points stressed in Doctor Schofield's paper were more time and patience in getting broken parts into coaptation with liberal aid of x-ray pictures taken during the operation to assure that the parts were coapted. Next to avoid keeping fractured bones too long in one position without releasing the splints and, guided by the x-ray picture, making a readjustment where necessary.

In both papers stress was laid upon necessity of an aseptic field in all compound fractures. The writer of these excerpts would add the use, too, of tetanus antitoxin in every compound fracture and when in doubt as to results, the need for consultation. Consultation divides responsibility, and in bad cases avoids possible lawsuit. A poorly reduced fracture is always a living testimony against the operator and a damaging exhibit as long as the patient lives.

No further discussions. The society decided that it would cooperate with the Lassen County Medical Society to hold a joint meeting with them during the

coming summer months.

There was a large attendance, two men coming from Susanville, about one hundred miles away, and several from points fifty and sixty miles. Let the eastern medicos, if they chance to read this, sit up and think what such distances mean.

Meeting adjourned.

THOMAS W. BATH, Secretary.

# UTAH STATE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

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# COMPONENT COUNTY SOCIETIES

SALT LAKE COUNTY

The regular meeting of the Salt Lake County Medical Society was held at the Newhouse Hotel Monday, March 10.

The meeting was called to order at 8:15 p. m. by President M. M. Nielson. Thirty-six members and three visitors were present.

Joseph E. Peck presented a paper upon "Rural Obstetrics," which was discussed by J. Z. Brown, S. G. Kahn, E. M. Neher, and W. F. Beer.

L. E. Viko read a paper entitled "The Etiology of Heart Disease, with Especial Reference to Utah." This paper was discussed by Clarence Snow, W. R. Tyndale, J. Z. Brown, A. C. Callister, and G. H. Pace.

A. C. Callister, reporting for the Committee on Public Health and Legislation, explained the Porter Bill, now before the United States Senate, and suggested that the society go on record as being against this bill. This report was discussed by M. M. Nielson, Clarence Snow, and E. M. Neher. Clarence Snow moved that the society exert its efforts toward the prevention of the Porter Bill before the United States Senate, and that the secretary be instructed to write Senators Smoot and King and Representative Colton to that effect; and, furthermore, that a copy of this action be sent to Secretary Olin West of the American Medical Association. Motion seconded and carried. J. Z. Brown suggested that a copy also be sent to the originator of this bill.

The application of Kenneth E. Noyes was read and turned over to the board of censors.

M. M. Nielson presented a plan for classification of all members of the Salt Lake County Medical Society in the telephone directory. He appointed a committee, consisting of R. T. Woollsey (chairman), Scott Jones, and A. J. Murphy, to investigate this plan.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 p. m.

The regular meeting of the Salt Lake County Medical Society was held at the L. D. S. Hospital on Monday, March 24.

The meeting was called to order at 8 p. m. by President M. M. Nielson. Fifty-nine members and nine visitors were present.

The minutes of meeting of March 10 were read and accepted without correction.

The following clinical program was presented by

members of the hospital staff:

Coronary Thrombosis, Clarence Snow; Irritable Colon and Visceroptosis, W. R. Tyndale; Perforated Duodenal Ulcer, Ralph Cornwall; Subdiaphragmatic Abscess, L. A. Stevenson.
J. R. Wherrit, K. E. Noyes, and Maurice Gordon

were elected members of the society.

R. T. Woolsey reported for the committee on telephone classification. This committee favored the purchase of the space on the inside page of the telephone directory for listing of members of the Salt Lake County Medical Society. This was discussed by M. M. Nielson and Claude Shields. Clarence Snow moved that the report of the committee be adopted and that a special assessment of \$3 per year be levied on each practicing physician of the society, and that this assessment be paid at the same time as the dues. Motion carried.

L. J. Paul moved that the assessment for the year 1930 should be paid by April 14. Seconded and carried.

Meeting adjourned at 10:05 p. m.

BARNET E. BONAR, Secretary.

### **UTAH COUNTY**

The regular bimonthly meeting of the Utah County Medical Society was held March 12.

President Harriss of the B. Y. U., who had just returned from Russia, gave an interesting talk on "The Economic Situation in Russia and Comments on Russian Sanitary Conditions.'

Mrs. R. G. Clark and Mrs. J. L. Aird gave several musical numbers.

The second meeting in March was on March 26. Doctor Hagan of Spanish Fork gave a brief account of his visit to New Pork in his postgraduate course. Dr. Fred R. Taylor gave a review of the American Medical Association meeting in Portland, Oregon, last summer.

A report was given by Dr. J. W. Aird on the findings of the committee to investigate the Porter Bill that is up before Congress relative to centralizing authority in narcotics. The committee reported as unfavorable to take any action in the matter. Following a brief discussion by Dr. F. W. Taylor, it was voted that the association do nothing further about the Porter Bill.

### J. L. AIRD, Secretary.

### WEBER COUNTY

At the regular meeting of the Weber County Medical Society held in the Spanish Room of the Hotel Bigelow March 27, Dr. Paul Weeks gave an interest-ing paper on "Physio-electrotherapy," illustrated by two reels of moving pictures.

State President-elect William Rich, Secretary M. M. Critchlow, and Treasurer Edwin LaCompte from Salt Lake City were in attendance and spoke briefly relative to our state society meeting to be held in Salt Lake City next September.

CONRAD H. JENSON, Secretary.

### UTAH NEWS

Meeting of the American Association for the Study of Goiter.—The annual meeting of the association will be held at Seattle, Washington, with headquarters at the Hotel Olympic, July 10 and 11, with an excursion to Mount Rainier for all attending members on the 12th. Our association this year is the guest of the King County Medical Society, Seattle Washington.

A very interesting scientific program is promised. The tentative one published assures a very good final program.

All members in good standing in their county or provincial societies are eligible, and invited to become attending members upon presentation of their credentials and payment of a small fee (\$5).

The regular monthly meeting of the Holy Cross Hospital Clinical Society was held the night of March 17 at the hospital.

The following scientific program was presented: Malignancy of Uterus, Tubes, and Ovaries, Claude Shields; Study of Electrocardiographic Tracings, R. Tandowsky; Use of Sodium Amytal in Eclampsia, B. E. Bonar; Hour-Glass Stomach, F. B. Bailey.

Meetings of the Academy of Medicine have continued during the past month. The following programs have been presented:

March 13-Vincent's Angina of Lung, Dr. Van Scoyoc; Metabolic Arthritis, Dr. Le Barge.

March 20—General Aspects in Otolaryngology, Dr. Gordon; Malignant Tumors of the Breast, Dr. George Middleton.

March 27—Demonstration of Successful Cure—Case of Aneurysm with Reconstruction of Femoral Artery, Dr. F. Hatch; Schneider's Index, Dr. Skofield.

April 3-Can Malignant Tumors be Graded Histologically? Dr. Flood; Pathology of Impacted Teeth, Dr. Smith.

### Death Notice

Young, Albert Carrington. Died March 25, 1930, age 72 years. Graduate of Dartmouth Medical School, Hanover, 1895. Licensed in Utah, 1895. Doctor Carrington was a member of Salt Lake County Medical Society, the Utah State Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

### **OBITUARY**

### George F. Roberts 1886-1930

Dr. George F. Roberts, Salt Lake physician, died Sunday, March 30, at his home, 1403 East Ninth South Street, after an illness of ten days. He was forty-four years of age.

Born at Kaysville, he attended the public schools of Salt Lake and later was graduated from the University of Utah Medical School. He attended Rush Medical College in Chicago, where he was graduated in 1912.

After serving an internship at St. Mark's Hospital, Doctor Roberts began the practice of medicine in 1914. In 1916 he served as captain of the Medical Corps with the National Guard on the Mexican border. During the World War he was a major with the 159th Medical Corps in France.

For a number of years he was assistant county physician and was well known in Masonic circles,

In addition to his parents, he is survived by his widow, Mrs. Florence Shermer Roberts; one son, Edward Roberts; two daughters, Janet and Susan Jean.